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The Near East and North Africa

~~Communist capabilities~~ in Syria, ~~and~~ Israel, or among Palestinian Arabs

The present pro-Soviet trend in Syria, the reported presence of Soviet military experts and technicians in Syria and the consequent improvement in the status of the Syrian CP constitute the greatest sources of threats of sabotage for the neighboring states of ~~Jordan~~ Jordan, Lebanon and Iraq. Communists of these areas will probably continue to commit acts of terrorist nature as operatives of non-Communist agencies or groups. Particularly dangerous ~~and~~ threat is the extensive infiltration of Communists into the Syrian Deuxieme Bureau and other ~~subversive~~ units or subordinate institutions of the Syrian Army.

The existence of exploitable issues--such as the ~~impoverished~~ ^{aspirations and} ~~Yazid and~~ ^{Yazid and} ~~con~~ ^{con} ~~plight of Palestinian refugees in Jordan--~~ ^A attributes to the continuous nature of the threat. Communist and pro-Communist elements among the refugees ~~numerous~~ ^{numerous} constitute a source of personnel for Communist sabotage missions and training programs. These men are trained in Syria and are clandestinely returned to Jordan. In a moment of economic or political crisis a coordinated, widespread sabotage campaign conceivably could occur in the states adjacent to Syria.

In Egypt, the threat of Communist sabotage is presently slight in view of Nasr's ~~neutralist~~^{anti-West} policy--a policy which ~~has~~ ^{now} Soviet ends.

~~In Ceylon, was in mid-1957~~

Although there is evidence of organizational and material preparation for eventual violent action, this will probably not be undertaken in the near future in view of the CP's present policy to support the government. The Moscow-oriented CP probably ~~has~~ ^{seeks} broader popular support and a greater ability to dominate the other Communist parties of Ceylon before initiating aggressive action. In other Near and Middle Eastern areas the CP's are too weak to carry out any but isolated acts of industrial or other sabotage.

Egypt, Libya, and Morocco

Intelligence It is possible however that demonstration and violence directed against US installations might be generated & exploited in the event of a significant increase in US-Egyptian dissension & provocative acts of violence.

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Covert ~~sections~~ of the Algerian CP and Communist fractions
~~Algerian unions~~ within the ~~CGT~~ will probably continue to provide support for the FLN
by organizing and executing sabotage, by acquiring or preparing explosives
for the FLN and other ~~form~~ similar forms of aid. ^P The Communist-led
nationalist movement in the Cameroons, the Union des Populations
Cameroons (UPC), will probably continue its ~~a~~ terrorist campaign to
weaken the French colonial authorities and to try to gain control over
the ~~independent~~ ^{entire} nationalist movement.

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